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Forum

Leave seniors alone...

Dear Editor:

The following comments are my thoughts and questions on the decisions being made in the village (Oswego) and (Kendall) county. They may not be in order of priority.

I see very little improvement in the use of common sense and regard for the feelings and future of senior citizens. If the boards feel all this acquisition and annexation is necessary, how about those who will benefit pay the taxes, etc. One annexation (the park district property on Ill. Route 25) required all the parcels (three) they requested be taken in or none. So the village has more non-income property to service (or does Mr. Gray have another use for this?), which will undoubtedly require more personnel and equipment.

How about the current village president expressing the need for more green area? What about the park that had to be used as a police station? At that time he said it was necessary to control drugs. Over 750 signatures were obtained expressing the desirability of keeping Hastert Park with trees, etc. I have yet to hear ONE person say they agreed with the move.

Do they think a green area on Route 25 will be the answer? How about the possibility of it becoming another Saw-Wee-Kee situation? That area has long been a dumping ground for most everything. It is now well covered, but who knows for sure what's at the bottom of the pit? I understand some "packet" on parks, etc. has been or is being given to developers and Realtors. This is probably a good "come on" for attracting young families.

The park district has done much for young people and their activities. How about considering us senior citizens who have worked and saved to enjoy our retirement? With all the added taxes for these kinds of services, is more than can be absorbed by us. How about exempting us from the above-mentioned and tax the people who profit from this?

We have had our days paying for schools, parks, etc. Now just let us alone to enjoy what we have worked and planned for.

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